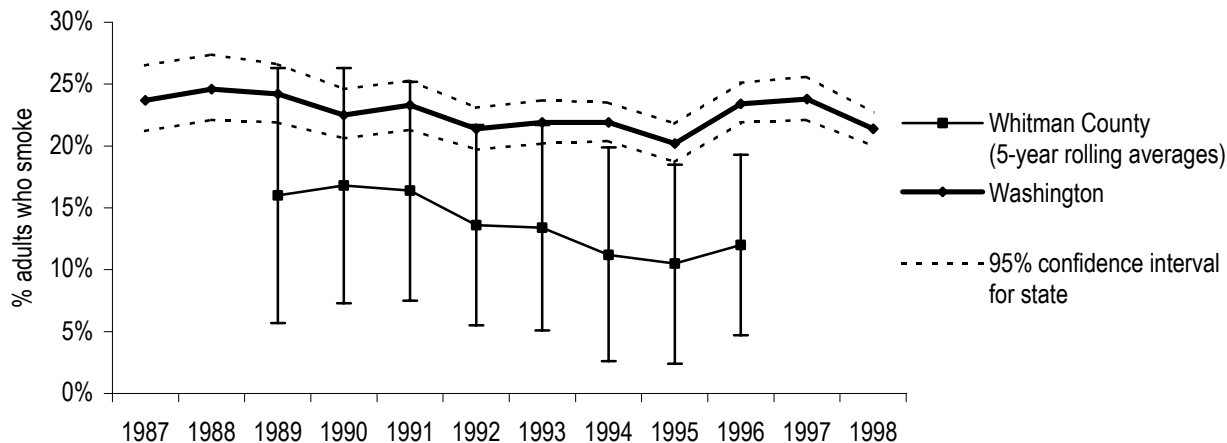
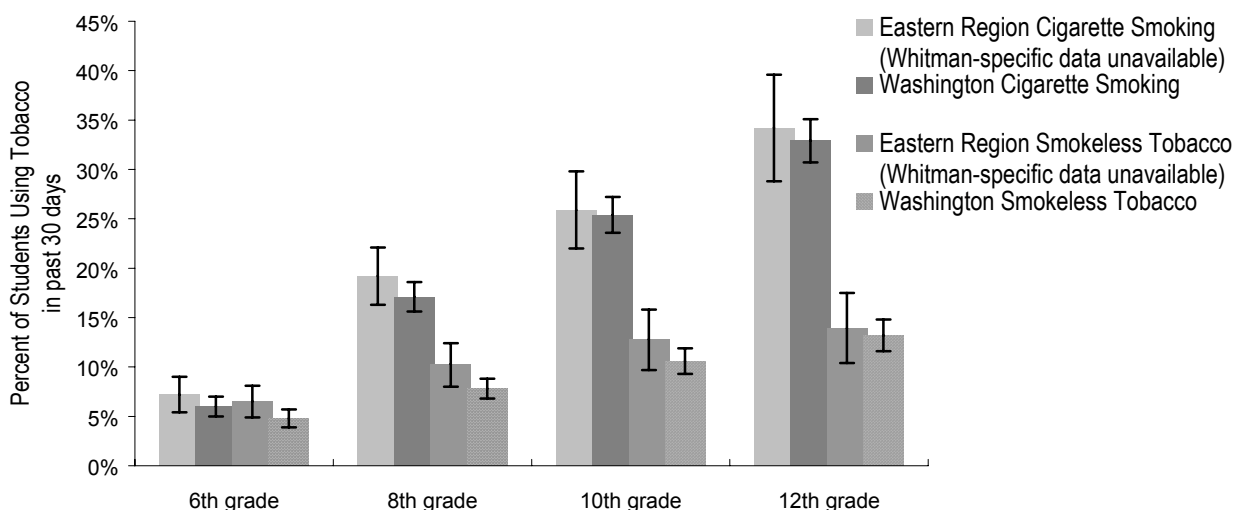


Whitman County Population = 41,700 (19% under age 18)

Adult Tobacco Use**Current Cigarette Smoking (1987-1998)****Current Smokeless Tobacco Use (1993-1997)**

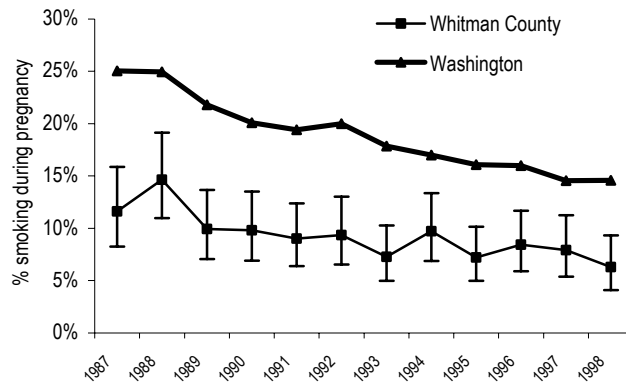
	<i>Entire adult population</i>	<i>Males only</i>
Whitman County	1.6% (95%CI: .2, 11.6)	3.0% (95%CI: .4, 21.6)
Washington State	2.9% (95%CI: 2.5, 3.8)	5.7% (95%CI: 5.0, 6.5)

Youth Tobacco Use (1998)**Summary of the problem**

- ☐ Adult smoking is consistently lower than adult smoking statewide, significantly so in recent years; there is no difference between Whitman and state adult smokeless tobacco use.
- ☐ Youth tobacco use for the Eastern Washington region is elevated above the state rate for both cigarettes and smokeless tobacco, among all age groups. More data collection is needed to describe tobacco use among Whitman County youth.
- ☐ Maternal smoking during pregnancy is consistently and significantly less than the state rate.
- ☐ Retailer compliance appears somewhat worse than the state as a whole (retailers more likely to sell tobacco to minors).

Estimated number of current adult and youth smokers who will die prematurely as a result of tobacco use: 1,700

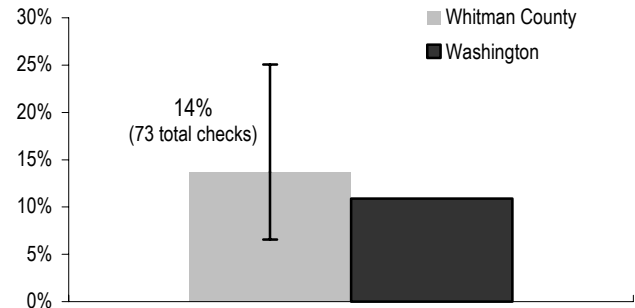
Smoking During Pregnancy (1987-1998)



Infants born annually to mothers who smoke during pregnancy: 31

Minors Access to Tobacco (1998-1999)

Percent Sales to Minors



Number of tobacco retailers in county: 54

Health at Risk (Estimated numbers for county)

Adults who currently smoke	4,700
Adults who currently use smokeless tobacco	1,000
Youth who currently smoke	600
Youth who currently use smokeless tobacco	200
ESTIMATED ANNUAL DEATHS DUE TO TOBACCO USE	40

Current Tobacco Prevention and Control Program Activities

Highlights during 1999

- ✓ Provided educational materials & assistance to tobacco retailers during environmental health inspections
- ✓ Provided educational materials to Whitman County school nurses
- ✓ Provided resources at Palouse Empire Fair, including handouts and posters

Annual Funding for Program (12-month funding amounts, FY 1999)

Source	Amount	Agency receiving funding
Youth Access (Retailer License Fees)	\$ 5,422	Whitman County Public Health
CDC Grant	\$ 0	
Total Per Capita Funding	\$.13	

CDC Recommended Community Per Capita Funding: \$.70-2.00

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TECHNICAL NOTES: (ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION IN APPENDIX B)

TOTAL DEATHS DUE TO TOBACCO USE ARE ESTIMATED AS 19% OF ALL DEATHS (MCGINNIS AND FOEGE 1993); "DUMBBELL" BARS AROUND DATA POINTS FOR SURVEY DATA REPRESENT 95% CONFIDENCE INTERVALS – THE TRUE VALUE MAY BE ANYWHERE WITHIN THE BARS, BUT MAY NOT BE EXACTLY AT THE DATA POINT; NUMBER OF ADULTS/YOUTH WHO WILL DIE PREMATURELY FROM TOBACCO USE IS ESTIMATED AS 33% OF CURRENT ADULT SMOKERS (MMWR 1996), AND 21% OF CURRENT YOUTH SMOKERS –WHO MAY 'GROW OUT OF' SMOKING BEHAVIOR (USDHHS 1994); "CURRENT ADULT/YOUTH TOBACCO USERS" ARE SYNTHETIC ESTIMATES BASED ON STATEWIDE AGE-SPECIFIC PREVALENCE; FUNDING LEVELS FOR COUNTIES WERE CALCULATED BASED ON DEDICATED YOUTH TOBACCO PREVENTION FUNDS AND CDC FUNDS MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – COUNTIES MAY SUCCESSFULLY SEEK ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR TOBACCO CONTROL FROM OTHER SOURCES; "HIGHLIGHTS DURING 1999" WERE IDENTIFIED BY LOCAL PROGRAM STAFF; "CDC RECOMMENDED FUNDING" IS BASED ON *BEST PRACTICES FOR TOBACCO CONTROL PROGRAMS* (CDC 1999).

